Minutes of the special called meeting of the City of Norton Council was held in the Municipal Courtroom on October 28, 1976 at 6:45 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Fulks who advised that this was a special called meeting to discuss the Police Department matter in regard to the raid on the Warlords Club of September 5, 1976.

The City Attorney advised council that this was a matter that could be discussed in executive session.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Roy Roberts with all members present voting yes, council moved to go into executive session to discuss the Virginia State Police investigative report relative to raid of Warlords Motorcycle Club on September 5, 1976 and to discuss the involvement of City of Norton Police Department personnel in respect to their actions and participation in the raid. At approximately 7:45 P.M. council returned to regular session from the executive session and the Mayor called for the City Manager to read the following statement as a result of the executive meeting. Statement is as follows:

Council has discussed a report of State Police investigators made at the request of the Sheriff of the City of Norton, Virginia by a raid of the Warlords' Motorcycle Club on September 5, 1976.

Because of threatened civil litigation (upon advise of the City Attorney) the report of the investigation will not be made public at this time.

Any criminal prosecution as a result of the raid would be within the province of the Commonwealth's Attorney who has been furnished with a copy of the report.

Any disciplinary action indicated to be taken against the police officers of the city will be handled by the City Manager as the City Charter directs. The action taken by the city manager by way of disciplinary action will not be made public in keeping with departmental policy.

The City Manager further stated that a release would be made on October 29, 1976 relative to the action that would be taken by the City Manager in respect to any disciplinary action that might against city police officers.

The City Manager presented a report on the status of the city general operating fund as of October 28, 1976. A copy of which is attached and made a part of these minutes. The City Manager recommended that the council authorize the City Clerk and the Mayor to borrow \$40,000.00 for operating the general fund until tax payments start coming in sometime during the month of November.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by the following roll call vote (McElroy, Roberts, Flanary, Fultz, Yes) council unanimously authorized the Mayor and the Treasurer to borrow \$40,000.00 for interim financing of the general operating fund.

The City School Board, Superintendent, and auditor presented City Council with a report on audit of the school's operation for fiscal year ending on June 30, 1976. Council was also advised of the school's system operating deficit. No action was taken by council.

There being no further business council adjourned.

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